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Barnes Blasts Spectrum Cable



High school faculty members will square off against town employees in a benefit basketball game for the high school Class of '75 and the March of Dimes, Friday at 7 p.m. at the high school gym. At 8 p.m. the high school girls varsity team will play members of the town council. Shown in a practice session are, left to right, Penny Webster, The Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, president of the town council, and Jane Benerakis.

Councilor Claims Cable Co. Copped Out On Contract

By MONTE MARLOWE

Councilor Kenneth J. Barnes has called for a joint meeting of legislative and administrative officials in Agawam, Westfield, West Springfield and Southwick before the acquisition of Spectrum Communications, Inc. by Video Enterprises of Western Massachusetts, Inc., is approved.

The Agawam councilor's request came in the wake of an announcement by George R. Townsend, president of Spectrum Communications, Inc., that the company will be sold to Video Enterprises of Western Massachusetts, Inc. Spectrum holds a cable television franchise in each of the four communities.

In a prepared press release to the Agawam Citizen on Feb. 25, Townsend cited the reasons for the proposed sale of Spectrum as not having the necessary funds to complete construction of the cable television systems in the four communities; inflation,

high interest rates; stiff construction timetables and low rate levels.

Townsend also blamed the awarding of the Chicopee franchise to a New Jersey firm and "the lack of affirmative action in Springfield during the four and one half years of Spectrum's existence" as preventing the growth of his company to attract the necessary capital.

Barnes, a strong and outspoken critic of Spectrum's performance in Agawam, is chairman of a subcommittee appointed by Town Council President Benjamin T. Lockhart to study the company's installation and service to the town.

After a published report in early February of Spectrum's intent to seek a rate hike for cable television service and a statement attributed to Townsend a week later that his company was in serious financial difficulty, Barnes pushed a resolution through the Agawam Town Council "that any petition for a rate increase brought by Spectrum Communications, Inc., be denied."

The resolution, proposed by Barnes and approved by the Town Council, stated that "Agawam was the first community to grant to Spectrum Communications, Inc., a franchise license as a cable TV operator and Spectrum Communications, Inc., has rendered a service to the residents of the Town of Agawam which has been inadequate and less than desirable."

Barnes has been adamant in his opposition to the manner in which Spectrum has handled their obligation to the town.

The councilor said "the town and taxpayer has been abused by Spectrum. We've invested taxpayer's money in good faith and we've seen every effort to communicate and establish active participation with the cable television people and our school system fall on indifferent and unanswering people at Spectrum."

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James H. Coon Jr. Releases Cost Per Student Data

The State Department of Education recently released operating cost per student data for all Massachusetts schools for 1973-74. Operating costs exclude debt cost, new equipment, and certain special education costs such as tuition paid to other schools for handicapped children, ac-

cording to James H. Coon Jr. Coon, director of business services for Agawam schools said "The average for the state was \$1129. The state average is pushed up by higher costs in the eastern part of Massachusetts. For Western Massachusetts costs per student tend to be around or

below the state average. Agawam's cost per student for 1973-74 was \$908. The substantial increase over 1972-73 from \$810, was caused by the addition of kindergartens and the first full year of operating the new Junior High School. Even so, Agawam's cost per student remains more than

\$100, less than all surrounding towns of comparable size and \$221 below state average. In other words Agawam's expense for 1973-74 was \$1,160,000 less than it would have been if school operating costs were equal to the state average.

"Some comparable

figures for surrounding cities and towns are shown below:

No. 1	\$1107
No. 2	781
No. 3	1141
No. 4	1026
No. 5	1064
No. 6	1071
No. 7	1217
No. 8	1140
State Average	\$1129

Agawam Citizen To Present Sports Award

The Agawam Citizen will present its first annual Most Valuable Player trophy to senior Tommy Quinn.

Quinn will be presented with the newspaper's Most Valuable Player trophy at the Basketball Parents Association Annual banquet Friday, March 14.

Beginning with Quinn, the newspaper will present an award to the outstanding high school athlete in each of the three sport seasons — fall, winter, spring.

Setting up the award

presentations is under the direction of Ric Sardella.

Sardella has been on the staff of the Agawam Citizen for more than a year. He served as Sports Editor for six months before being promoted to News Editor.

A 1974 graduate of Agawam High School, Sardella attends Westfield State College.

"Sardella has given this town more sports coverage in the past year than we've had in the past decade," a high school coach said.

And that he has... most of Sardella's writing is still in the sports area... but he manages to come up with a good solid news story when the occasion warrants it.

Sardella selects the high school athlete to receive the Most Valuable Player trophy from the newspaper based on outstanding achievements in an in-

dividual sport as compared to those accomplishments of his or her fellow Agawam High inter-scholastic participants in the same or another sport.



This April some 2,300,000 volunteers will visit friends and local businessmen across the country to gather support for the American Cancer Society's 1975 educational and fund-raising Crusade.

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Project Director Speaks Out On Chapter 766

The Project Director of Special Education at the Springfield Regional Education Center, Paul E. Caouette, says "There are many well intentioned groups who are seeking to assist in the process of making Chapter 766 work. There are others who do little more than criticize the efforts of local school districts as they do their best to provide services for children with special needs."

Caouette added "I would like it known that the 26 school districts in the Greater Springfield Region that I am primarily responsible for supervising are, for the most part, doing a truly commendable job during the first year of implementation. I personally feel that they should receive not only support from advocacy groups, but the latter should also constructively criticize them for what they presently lack. Generalized threats and naming school districts who are lacking should be based on current data, not that which is more than three months old."

"The legal responsibilities for monitoring our 26 districts falls with the professional members of my staff, namely, members of the Division of Special Education, Bureau of In-

tervention. Because we work on a daily basis with all of these school systems, our monitoring for the first year is both formal and informal. Improvement, and expansion for programs for children with special needs will only result, in my opinion, if we constructively criticize the efforts of school systems who at present do not have all of the components of 766 in place."

"The Regional Advisory Council also has the responsibility for monitoring these 26 school districts in the Greater Springfield Region as well as reporting to the State Advisory Council on the status of Special Education Programs in this region."

"These two groups and only these two groups have the legal responsibility of seeing that Chapter 766 is implemented properly in the Greater Springfield Region, which encompasses both Hampshire and Hampden Counties."

"Hopefully Mass Advocacy and Mass Coalition will, in fact, see fit soon to aid us in our efforts to assist school systems to properly implement Chapter 766. Though we have problems on a daily and individual basis, I do believe that schools in the Greater Springfield Region are making genuinely sincere efforts to

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supposedly serviced by Spectrum must present a united front to the problem and deal with realistic facts as to how each community will be affected by the acquisition of Spectrum by another corporation. Each community should demand absolute and definitive answers as to when and how all contracts will be completed.

"Westfield has publicly disclaimed some of the business practices of Spectrum. Mark Katsoulis, chairman of the West Springfield Board of Selectmen, has stated they have problems concerning the Spectrum operation in West Springfield."

Barnes is especially concerned with Spectrum's performance as it relates to the Agawam School Department. "One of the services that Spectrum proposed initially — and was attractive — was the promise to equip a studio at the school. We have spent substantial revenue on the building of a studio at the school. The studio is completed. There is no equipment in the studio. The equipment was promised by Spectrum three years ago. The supplier for the

evaluate children and provide programs for children with special needs.

"It is high time certain groups stopped casting stones and started offering help to local school districts who are equally concerned for the welfare of all the children they serve."

equipment has been told to proceed with installation as soon as they're given the word by Spectrum. The School Department and the School Committee have written letter after letter and Spectrum has not given them any direct, definite answers.

Barnes told the Agawam Citizen that he would like to see the four towns — Agawam, Westfield, West Springfield and Southwick — ask a lot of questions and get all the answers before the acquisition of Spectrum by Video Enterprises is consummated.

"I think it is an absolute necessity that we are especially vigilant in the processing of assigning Spectrum's franchise to another company even if the stockholders approve the transaction," Barnes said.

Barnes added "before we find ourselves at another impasse, I would like to see the four communities involved look into a lot of areas."

Some of the areas needing scrutiny, mentioned by Barnes, are regulations that the communities should impose based on the franchise — i.e., the procedures covering the assignment of an existing cable television franchise; insurance and bonding requirements, rate control; the integrity, resources, and track record of performance and service of any company seeking acquisition of Spectrum; a

listing of stockholders, and financial record of both corporations.

The meeting of the four towns, requested by Councilor Barnes, has been scheduled for March 12.

Efforts by the Agawam Citizen to reach Townsend pursuant to the Feb. 25 statement sent to the newspaper by his office have been futile.

Spectrum, reportedly, called a stockholder's meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 5 for the purpose of having the sale of Spectrum to Video Enterprises approved.

A former employee of Spectrum called the proposed sale a "rescue operation." "If the proposed sale does not go through, Spectrum faces bankruptcy," the source said.

The Agawam Citizen has also learned that the First National Bank in Boston has called all loans from Spectrum. Video Enterprises, allegedly, will pay a small sum to Spectrum

stockholders, amounting to ten or fifteen cents on the dollar.

There is no record that Spectrum has paid any dividends to stockholders.

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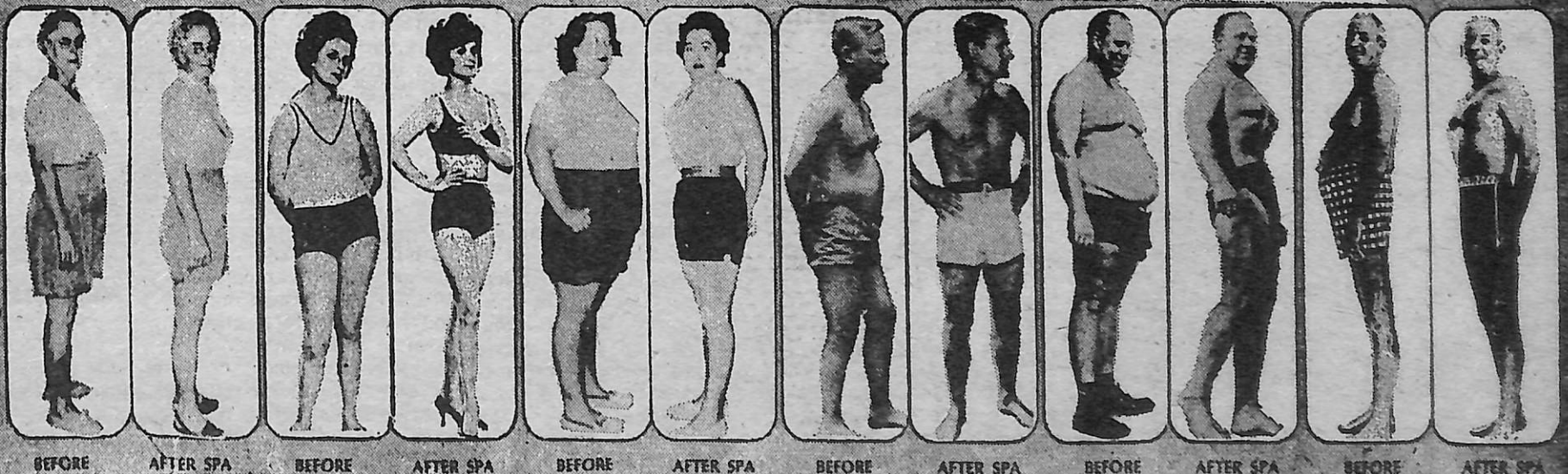
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 Swimming - Dave Theodorowicz - Senior
 Skiing - Chris Meister - Junior

Individual Categories
 Winter Sports Coach - Miss Carol Capitani - Girls Basketball
 Best Junior Performer - Bobby Cardwell - Wrestling
 Best Sophomore Performer - Dave Masisco - Swimming
 Most Improved Performer - Bobby Cardwell - Wrestling
 Most Improved Team - Girls Basketball
 Most Disappointing Season - Hockey
 Best Individual Performance - Tommy Quinn's 39 points against Chicopee Comp Feb. 28.



The highlight of the Winter Sports season was Tommy Quinn's 100th point. Here Athletic Director Cliff Kibbe presents Quinn with the game ball in ceremonies immediately following Tom's milestone in Longmeadow Feb. 4. Quinn has been cited by the Agawam Citizen as the Most Valuable Player for all of Winter Sports. Photo by Bill Keogh.

Brownies Finish In Berry Cellar

Coach Russ Ramah's charges ended their 1974-75 Berry Division play on a 9 game tailspin which began over 1 month ago leaving them in last place. Agawam's final two league encounters saw rival West Side whitewash the Brownies 5-0 Feb. 17 followed by a 5-2 beating against Amherst's Hurricanes Feb. 19.

5 Different Scorers

Over at the Eastern States Coliseum, West Side used 5 different marksmen to down the Brownies. For the Terriers it marked their third consecutive win over Agawam this season.

"It was a little better than the first two games," Brownie Coach Russ Ramah bemoaned. Ramah watched his club blasted by their friends from across the river by 9-1 and 13-2 counts in the initial meetings.

Senior Brownie goalie Rick Mastroianni performed well considering West Side shelled 37 shots at him. 27 penalties were handed out by officials as action on the ice was typical of the Brownie-Terrier rivalry.

Hot Contest

"It was a hot game," Ramah said. "The kids on both teams were really fired up. Fred Gusik, who donned his equipment in the Terrier net recorded the shutout.

Amherst broke open a tight 3-2 count late in the game as the Brownies absorbed their ninth consecutive setback two days later. "The kids played really well," Ramah stated. "The score didn't indicate the game."

The visiting Brownies kept the pressure on the Hurricane cage but continually found themselves in a come from behind situation.

Amherst led after one stanza 1-0 until Brownie junior wing Billy Hannon knotted things up at 1 early in period two. Assists on Hannon's tally went to John Sapelli and Steve Lasky.

After an exchange of goals in ensuing action, the Hurricanes crept into a 3-2 margin late in the middle session. The Hurricanes held a 26-20 edge in the shoot making department. Guarding the net in the loss was Senior Rollie Denoncourt.

The Brownie pucksters ended their disappointing 1974-75 ice campaign against Greenfield Feb. 24 in an independent bout. Agawam's league mark finished at 2-14-1 for 5 total points in divisional play.



Senior forward Jane Benerakis led girls basketball to their best campaign ever and has been named as MVP for the girls squad. Photo by Bill Keogh.

Quinn Heads Winter Sports Lineup

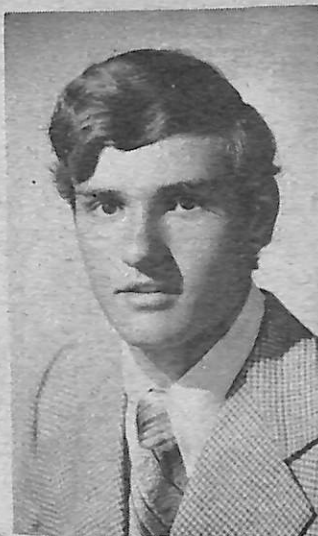
Winter Sports — MVP — Quinn

Basketball MVP — Tommy Quinn

What a season senior guard Tommy Quinn had. Quinn's list of accomplishments on the court goes from leading the Valley Wheel in scoring to finishing second in seasonal average (24.0) behind Chicopee Comp's Mr. Everything Pat Holmes in Division I.

Quinn's 1000th point in Longmeadow on Feb. 4 rates as the most outstanding achievement by any Brownie athlete since Sammy Provost's 1000th point almost a decade ago.

Tom's uncanny ability to rip the cords from 30 feet or on a driving layup makes him the top guard in Western Mass.



Hockey MVP — John Sapelli

A deceptively smooth skating motion coupled with an accurate wrist shot made Sapelli Agawam's "rags to riches" top scorer this season. "John improved 500 per cent this season," noted Coach Russ Ramah. Sapelli was utilized on both powerplay and penalty killing units while also skating his regular shift.

Girls Hoop MVP — Jane Benerakis

After missing her entire sophomore campaign and the first 6 games this season due to knee problems, high scoring senior forward Jane Benerakis was just what the doctor ordered as she led the girls in their finest year ever.

Jane paced the club in scoring while coming through with a number of clutch baskets throughout the season.

Wrestling MVP — Matty Mason

Although Matty missed the first month of the season, he fought back strong all winter to become a top Western

Mass. grappler in the 157 pound class.

Mason's strength and quickness enabled him to finish second at the Western Mass. Tournament in the middleweight class. Matty displayed his fine stamina at the State Meet Feb. 21 by finishing an opening round match even though he suffered a shoulder muscle pull during an 8-1 loss.

Swimming MVP — Dave Theodorowicz

Called by Coach Dave Smith as Agawam's most versatile flipper ever. When star performer Tom Cassidy was lost early in the campaign, "T" took right over in the point-getting department for Agawam.

"T" swam the anchor leg all winter long in the free relay event besides being used in just about every individual event at one time or another.

Skiing MVP — Chris Meister

Only junior named as a team MVP, Meister led his squad in racing average. "Chris was very consistent for us all season long," related Coach Richard Joseph.

Meister was one of 4 fine

juniors that skiing had this season, but his accurate times gives Chris the nod for the snowmen.

Winter Sports Coach — Carol Capitani — Girls Hoop

In her first year of coaching girls hoop, Capitani shot new life into Agawam's sagging girls program. Capitani has built the girls into respectability with a hustling, scrappy, style of play. Under Capitani's guidance next year's girls force appears to be on its way into the higher echelon of the Valley Wheel.

Best Junior Performer and Most Improved

Performer — Bobby Cardwell — Wrestling

Cardwell's second place finish at the Western Mass. Tourney in the 147 pound division and his trip to the State Meet ended a stellar season for Bob in Winter Sports biggest surprise.

"Bobby was just great all season," praised Wrestling Coach Phil Tomkiel. Cardwell boasted a 10-4 individual mark during the season and is a definite contender for the Winter Sports MVP in 1975-76.

Best Sophomore Performer — Dave Masisco — Swimming

One of the brighter notes in swimming's long and discouraging campaign, Masisco hit consistent firsts and seconds in the toughest event in swim competition, the individual medley.

Coach Dave Smith rates Masisco as possibly his best sophomore ever. Masisco also tallied a number of points in the 100 yard breast stroke. Dave ended the season as the squad's second leading scorer.

Most Improved Team — Girls Hoop

A 4-13 final record may

appear unimpressive, but the girls four wins equals three combined seasons in the victory column.

A hustling defense spearheaded by junior guard Judy Bozek and forward Laurie Clark spiced the sharpshooting of senior forward Jane Benerakis, who backboned the girls offensive thrust.

Poor foul shooting and inconsistent scoring proved to be the girls major flaws, however the season can be considered far better than expected.

Best Individual Performance —

Tommy Quinn's spectacular 39 point antics against Division I power Chicopee Comp in the season's finale Feb. 28 broke Sammy Provost's alltime Brownie single game scoring mark of 38 points.

Quinn ended a brilliant career and any doubt of his scoring ability and All Western Mass. qualifications with his 39 biggies against Comp, a top rated powerhouse.d



"We want to wipe out cancer in your lifetime" is the slogan of the American Cancer Society. And singing star, Tony Bennett, says, "That's more than a slogan. It's a goal that will one day be realized if you give generously to the Crusade. Remember...when you give to the American Cancer Society, you are making an investment that pays huge dividends...the saving of lives."

Final Stats

Winter Windup Feature

Varsity Basketball

Name	- Pts.	Rebounds	Assists	Av.
Quinn	525	68	76	24.0
Ekstedt	220	180	44	11.0
Winne	178	84	93	8.4
Carmody	157	139	15	7.1
Meyers	97	112	17	5.0
Fuchs	65	63	16	5.0
Tatro	36	61	14	
Knowlton	12	9	3	
Lebranch	6	5		

Final record: 9-13 overall, 8-7 in Valley Wheel

Girls Varsity Basketball

Name	Pts
Benerakis	116 (missed 6 games)
Bozek	86
Leslie Clark	72
Laurie Clark	65
Gallucci	32 (missed 4 games)
Dufault	25
Smith	16
May	7
Webster	6
LeClair	4
Chimelewski	2

Final record: 4-13 overall, 4-11 in Valley Wheel

"Very Pleased With Season . . ."

"I'm very pleased with the way we played this year," first year Coach Wayne Morse said. "From the fifth game on we were outscored by more than 6 points only twice.

The Brownies suffered five consecutive independent losses early in the season, then put together two solid rounds in league play before faltering in round three. "A couple of breaks here or there and we could have done better," Morse said about his charges 9-13 mark.

Agawam performed well in a 80-62 beating against powerful Chicopee Comp Feb. 28 where Tommy Quinn and Comp's 6-7 Pat Holmes

went wild with 39 points apiece.

After 1 period of action last Friday things were all knotted up at 18 much to Comp's surprise. "I thought our win-loss record wasn't a true measure of our season," the Brownie mentor further discussed.

The keys to the Brownies failure to make the Division I tourney lies in early season woes and six combined losses to Division II strongmen and league foes Longmeadow and East Longmeadow.

Four of Agawam's six contests with the two Valley Wheel opponents could have

gone either way as the bouts were decided in the final 2 minutes.

As for individual performances the 1974-75 campaign was all Tommy Quinn as the senior guard finished with a brilliant 24.0 average. Quinn hit 51 per cent from the floor and a sparkling 82 per cent from the charity line. For the most part Quinn controlled the games temp all season long, especially in league competition.

However Quinn was complimented by some impressive play in junior forward Karl Ekstedt and junior guard Mark Winne. Ekstedt clicked for an 11.0

average and led the club in rebounding. Winne headed the Brownies in assists with 93 and hit on an 8.4 scoring clip.

Senior center Jeff Carmody came on very strong during the seasons second stages and sophomore center forward Ralph Meyers at times showed signs of future stardom.

Others to note are seniors Greg Fuchs and Tommy Tatro. Playing in their last season in Brownie uniforms were seniors John Conte, John Knowlton, and Wayne LeBranch.

— Track Team Sign Ups —

Sign ups for the high school track team will be held through Friday, March 7. First practice of the season is scheduled for Monday, March 10.

Those interested in participating should contact Coach Modzelewski.

A tentatively schedule includes 13 meets, several Saturday events and one night event.

Agawam will also host the Valley Wheel meet on Saturday, May 22.

John Denver Scheduled At Civic Center

John Denver, one of the most popular entertainers in the nation today, will appear in concert for the first time in the Springfield Civic Center Tuesday evening, April 15, at 8 p.m.

Denver, who will be featured on an ABC-TV special in March, has included the City of Homes as one of the major stops on his nationwide tour.

According to Jerry Healy, director of the Springfield Civic Center, mail orders

will be accepted now. Each mail order should be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed, return envelope.

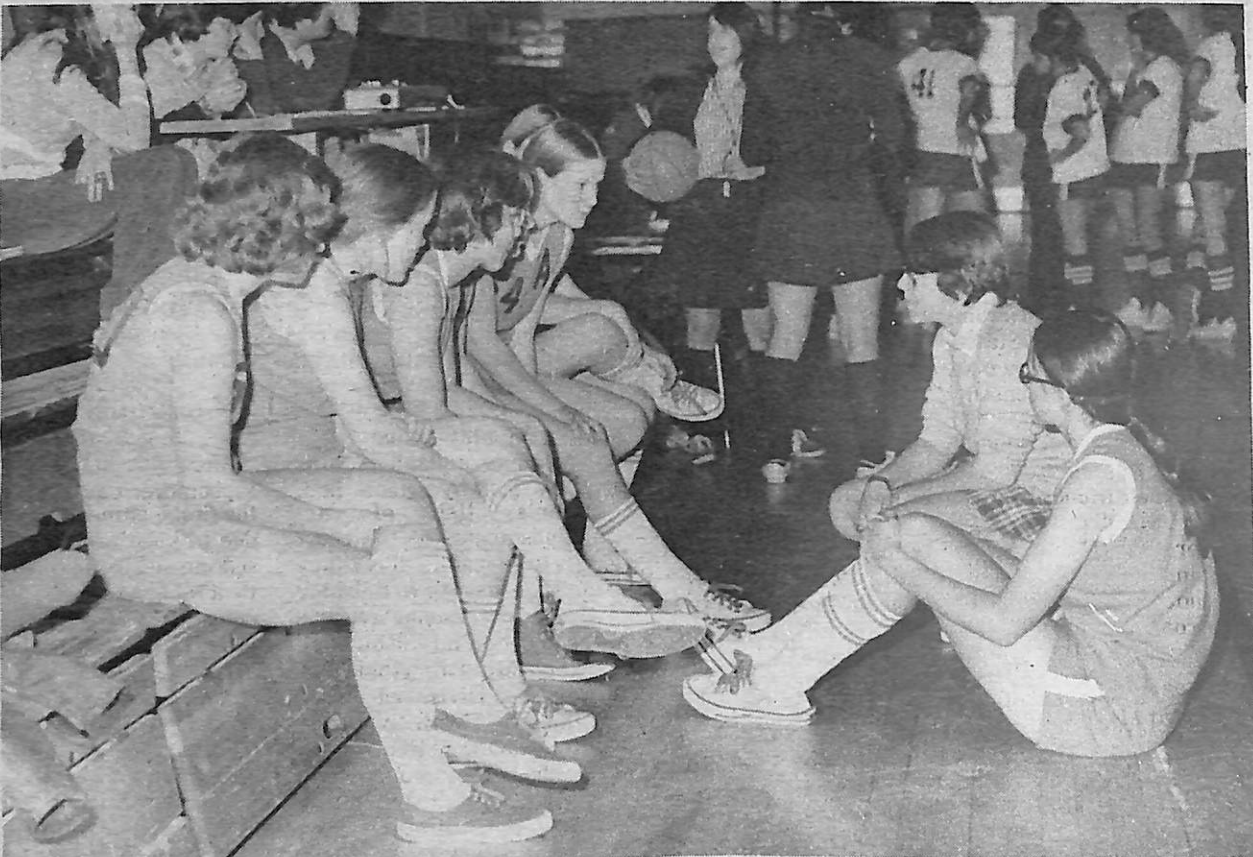
Every seat in the Springfield Civic Center will be reserved for the John Denver concert.

Tickets have been scaled at \$7.50; \$6.50, and \$5.50. A limited number of totally-obstructed seats, behind the stage, will be available for \$3.50, Healy said.

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First year Coach Carol Capitani and members of her 1974-75 squad. The girls rate as Winter Sports Most Improved Team. Photo by Bill Keogh.



McDonald's Restaurant in Agawam treated the entire varsity and junior varsity basketball squads to a free meal following the Agawam-West Side clash Feb. 28. Cheerleaders were also given a free meal. Enjoying their food are varsity cheerleaders (left) Sandy Sweet, Susan Kulas and Janice Reutt. On the right are Sheryl St. Jermaine, Marcia Atwater, and Joan Brodeur. Photo by Bill Keogh.

'Dates And Mates' Tickets To Be Given To Lucky 'Pairs'

The high school will run a computer dating service in conjunction with the musical comedy production "Dates and Mates".

Plans are under way for a show promotion event which will let high school students, who wish to participate, fill out dating questionnaire forms. The forms will be run through the IBM computer. Students who are closest to being the perfect pair will be awarded free tickets to the musical which is a story

about a computer dating firm.

A number of lucky "pairs" will be chosen. The free tickets may be used by couples or individuals.

The musical will be presented at the senior high for two nights on March 14 and 15. Reserved seats are available and may be obtained at the high school during lunch periods (11 a.m.-12:15) or by calling the music office, 786-0941.



Cast for Agawam High musical, "Dates and Mates" — Left to right, Connie Kinnell, Danny Taupier, Carolyn Mish, Holly Kinnell, Robert Trempe, Virginia Skovhott, Michael Marvici.

West. Mass. Home Show Set At Better Living Center

Builder members of the Home Builders Association of Greater Springfield will be among the experts giving advice to visitors at the 22nd annual Western Mass. Home Show. The show will be held March 11-16 at the Better Living Center, Eastern States Exposition, West Springfield.

The "experts" will be featured in the centerpiece structure, a wood frame area with several booths, which will be staffed by area representatives of home-related businesses. The builders, all members of the Home Builders Association will staff one of the booths and will meet visitors on a one-to-one basis to answer their questions related to new-home building.

Area home builders returned recently from their annual convention in Dallas, Texas, with an optimistic view of their industry's future. Mark Layne, executive director of the Greater Springfield Home Builders Association, reported that the "national meeting reflected determination and confidence in the industry's ability to improve the present market conditions for new homes. Local association members are being optimistic in their views of the economy and the future of home building for 1975-76 and feel that the industry will begin to move upwards within the next year or so."

Builders will be telling Home Show visitors that 1975 is a good time to buy a new home if you are in the market to do so. Declining interest rates and more money being made available through mortgage lending institutions contribute to this as well as a good selection of quality built homes to choose from. The need for housing in this area is increasing and the prices on some building materials is lessening, so the picture is beginning to brighten a bit for the building industry in general.

Others to be represented in the centerpiece "Ask the Experts" area will be from area banks which are members of the Home Builders Association, who will discuss home financing. Springfield Board of Realtors will discuss available area homes, and the Lower Pioneer Valley Regional Planning Commission will discuss the development of all aspects of our valley area. A few ad-

ditional organizations are being considered for involvement in this area.

The show will be open weekdays 6-10 p.m. and on weekends 1-10 p.m. Discount tickets are available at many area businesses.

Deborah Marie Marquis Weds Jeffery Francis Nolin

The marriage of Miss Deborah Marie Marquis to Mr. Jeffrey Francis Nolin has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Marquis of Wilbert Terrace in Feeding Hills. Mr. and Mrs. E. Francis Nolin of 69 Park Edge Drive are parents of the bridegroom.

Bridal vows were exchanged on Friday, Feb. 21 at the Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills.

Mrs. Nolin attends Bay Path Junior College in Longmeadow. Mr. Nolin attends American International College in Springfield.

The couple will establish residence in Feeding Hills.

Music In Our Schools Day To Be Observed

Governor Dukakis has issued a proclamation that the first observance of "Music In Our Schools Day" will be celebrated this year on March 13.

The Governor's proclamation also states: "This observance is designed to produce a more genuine recognition of the vital place music has in the educational process."

"The unique qualities and content of music education dramatically expresses man's commitments and insights in all cultures of the world, both past and present."

Town schools will observe "Music In Our Schools Day". All parents and residents are invited to the

music classes in all schools. Times of music classes are:

Strings

Clark — 9-9:30.

Phelps — 9:50-10:50.

Jr. High — 12:30-1:20.

Elementary Vocal

Danahy — 9-12 and 1:15-

2:45.

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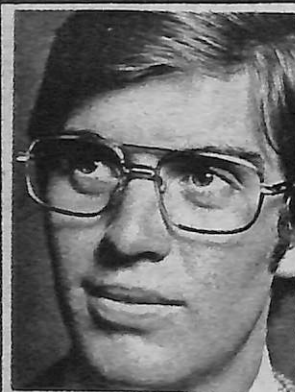
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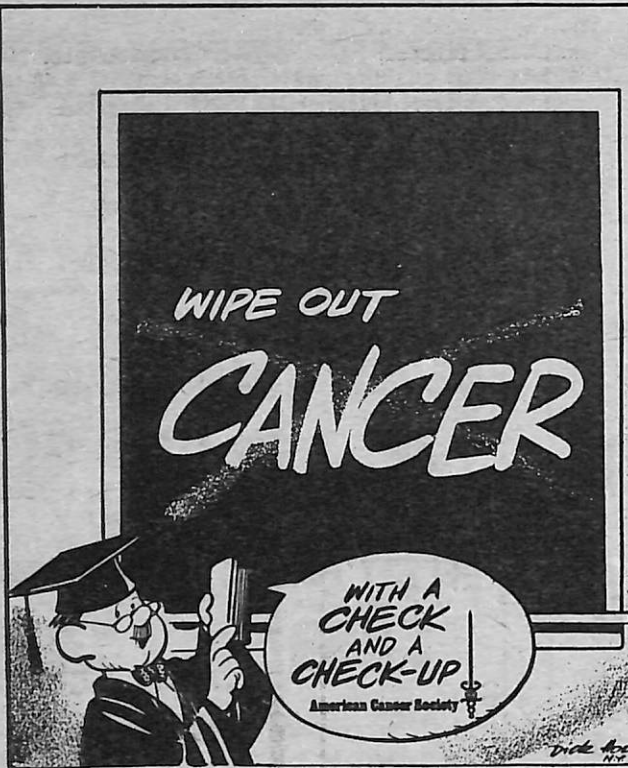
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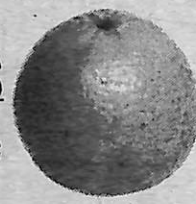
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